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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal under 37 CFR § 1.114

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Dear Sir:

On June 23, 2004, an Office Action was mailed in which the Examiner finally rejected claims 17-45 of the application. On August 23, 2004 Applicants submitted an After Final Amendment and Response. The Examiner mailed an Advisory Action on September 13, 2004 in which Applicants were advised that the amendment and remarks submitted August 23, 2004 were sufficient to overcome the anticipation rejection but that further search and/or consideration would be needed in relation to the obviousness rejection.

Therefore, Applicants hereby request continued examination of the above-identified application in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

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- I. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 23, 2004.
 - II. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
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